



Rear Admiral (lower half) Michael A. Sharp
United States Navy
VICE COMMANDER

Rear Admiral Michael A. Sharp is Vice Commander of the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command. As Vice Commander for the Commander, he is responsible for development, acquisition and life cycle management of command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance systems for the United States Navy and select Marine Corps and joint service programs. In May 2003, Rear Admiral Sharp was designated Chief Engineer for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development and Acquisition as an additional duty. In February 2004, Mr. Young appointed RADM Sharp to be acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, C4I/Space as another additional duty.

Previously as the SPAWAR Chief Engineer, he reported as the Program Executive Officer for Mine and Undersea Warfare in Washington, D.C. In December 2002, the Chief of Naval Operations announced his assignment as the Vice Commander, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command.

RADM Sharp was designated as an Acquisition Professional and attended the Defense Systems Management College Intermediate Acquisition Course prior to reporting to the USS SEAWOLF Combat System Program Manager as Assistant Program Manager for Operability. Other shore duty assignments have included: AN/BQG-5 Wide Aperture Array Program Manager and SEAWOLF Ship Control System Program Manager. He also served as the Deputy, Direct Reporting Program Manager (Advanced Technology) and the Advanced Tactical Data Links Program Manager (PMW 159). Following these duties, Sharp then served as the Submarine Communications Program Manager (PMW 173).

RADM Sharp reported as Commanding Officer of USS SAN FRANCISCO (SSN 711) completing an extended Western Pacific deployment and also served as Executive Officer on the USS SWORDFISH (SSN 579).

RADM Sharp is entitled to wear the Legion of Merit with one Gold star, the Meritorious Service Medal with three Gold Stars, the Navy Commendation Medal with two Gold Stars, and the Navy Achievement Medal with two Gold Stars.

RADM Sharp was born in Portland, Oregon and graduated from Oregon State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering in December 1974. Additionally, he earned a Master of Science degree in Systems Management from the University of Southern California in June 1981 and is a 1999 graduate of the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School.